

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5, and 11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Knapp et al. Claims 4 and 8 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by French. Claim 9 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Knapp et al in view of Hornby. Claim 10 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over French in view of Hornby. Claims 12-13, 15-18, and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claim 22 stands allowed. In view of the above amendment and following remarks, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the outstanding objections and rejections and allow the present application to issue.

Each of the rejected claims have been canceled, leaving only allowed claim 22. Consequently, the Examiner is respectfully requested to allow the present application to issue. However, should there remain any open issues in this application which might be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at 320-363-7296 to further discuss the advancement of this application.

Sincerely,

  
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